

Attorney Docket No. 391331

RECEIVED  
U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
*Patent & Trademark  
Office - Washington, DC*  
PATENT

JAN 6 2005

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Babbitt, et al. ) Confirmation No.: 7737  
Application No.: 09/505,821 ) Group No.: 2131  
Filed: February 17, 2000 ) Examiner: Arani, Taghi T.  
For: SECURE INTERNET VOTING )  
SYSTEM WITH BOOTABLE DISK )

---

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

This communication responds to the Office Action dated January 6, 2005.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

Conclusion begins on page 7.



RECEIVED  
U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
APR 6 2005

## 4845 Pearl East Circle

Suite 300

Boulder, CO 80301

(720) 931-3000, Fax (720) 931-3001

Direct Dial Number:  
(720) 931-3012

[www.lathropgage.com](http://www.lathropgage.com)

2345 Grand Boulevard,  
Suite 2800  
Kansas City, MO 64108-2612  
(816) 292-2000, Fax (816) 292-2001

230 Park Avenue  
Suite 1847  
New York, NY 10169  
(212) 850-6220, Fax (212) 850-6221

314 East High Street  
Jefferson City, MO 65101  
(573) 893-4336, Fax (573) 893-5398

10851 Mastin Blvd.  
Building 82, Suite 1000  
Overland Park, KS 66210-1669  
(913) 451-5100, Fax (913) 451-0875

1845 S. National  
Springfield, MO 65808-4288  
(417) 886-2000, Fax (417) 886-9126

1010 Market Street  
Suite 1300  
St Louis, MO 63101-2000  
(314) 613-2500, Fax (314) 613-2550

1200 G Street, N.W.  
Suite 800  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
(202) 434-8984, Fax (202) 434-8992

April 6, 2005

From: Dan Cleveland

Matter No.: 391331

To:	Company:	Fax Number:	Phone Number:
Commissioner for Patents	United States Patent Office	703-872-9306	

Number of Pages Transmitted (including this cover sheet): 12

Applicant: Victor Leroy Babbitt et al.

Examiner: Arani, Taghi T.

Serial No.: 09/505,821

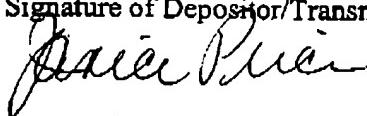
Group Art Unit: 2131

Filed: February 17, 2000

Confirmation No. 7737

For: SECURE INTERNET VOTING SYSTEM WITH BOOTABLE DISK

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<b>CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION (37 CFR 1.8)</b> Applicant(s): Victor Leroy Babbitt et al.			Atty Docket No.  391331
Application No.  09/505,821	Filing Date  February 17, 2000	Examiner  Arani, Taghi T.	Group Art Unit  2131
<b>Title:</b> SECURE INTERNET VOTING SYSTEM WITH BOOTABLE DISK			
Date of Transmittal: <u>April 6, 2005</u>			
I hereby certify that the following documents:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Transmittal (1 page);</li> <li>2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (1 page, in duplicate);</li> <li>3. Amendment (7 pages);</li> <li>4. Certificate of Transmission (1 page); and</li> <li>5. Fax Cover Sheet (1 page)</li> </ol>			
are being transmitted via facsimile number 703-872-9306 to Group No. 2131, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated above.			
		Name of Depositor/Transmitter  Janice Price	
		Signature of Depositor/Transmitter  	

PTO/SB/21 (09-04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

**TRANSMITTAL  
FORM**

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

Application Number	09/505,821
Filing Date	February 17, 2000
First Named Inventor	Victor Leroy Babbit
Art Unit	2131
Examiner Name	Arani, Taghi T.

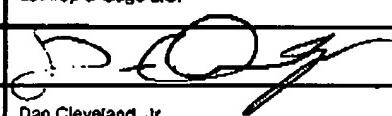
Attorney Docket Number

391331

**ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)**

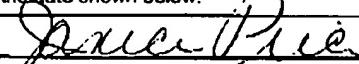
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	Certificate of Transmission
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	Fax Cover Sheet
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application		
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		

**Remarks****SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**

Firm	Lathrop & Gage L.C.		
Signature			
Printed Name	Dan Cleveland, Jr.		
Date	April 6, 2005	Reg. No.	36,106

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below.

Signature	
Typed or printed name	Janice Price
Date	April 6, 2005

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-8199 and select option 2.